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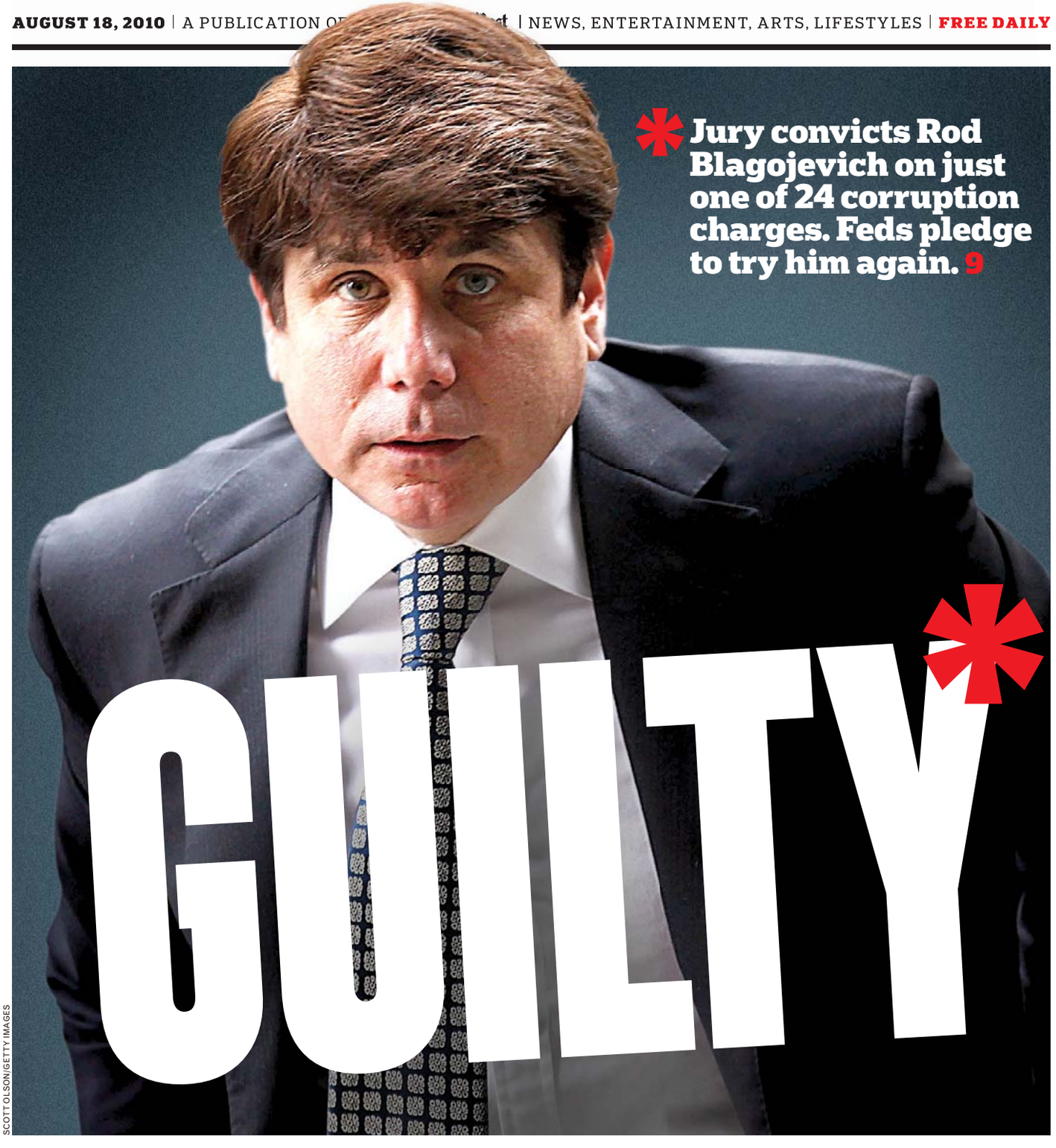

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***Jury convicts Rod Blagojevich on just one of 24 corruption charges. Feds pledge to try him again. 9**

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EYE OPENERS

Gawd, Mom, You Ruin EVERYTHING. I HATE YOU

Police in Salem, N.H., have charged a mother-and-son team with the theft of more than $1,600 worth of video games from a Best Buy. Police said 64-year-old Luise LaQuerre and her 20-year-old son, Christopher Andrukaitis, were charged with felony theft after store security officers on Monday spotted the son stuffing video games into a cloth bag his mother carried. **(AP)**

DIYdeathcertificate.com Just SO Did Not Deliver

Massachusetts authorities are searching for a man who faked his death to beat charges of driving without a license. Michael Rosen of Salem had a man file a certificate showing Rosen had died. But a probation officer heard from a colleague that Rosen had checked in after his "death." The certificate had several misspellings and was printed on the wrong paper. (AP)

Highlight of Woman's Life Is So Depressing

A Downingtown, Pa., woman took a sign to Paul McCartney's Philadelphia show Sunday requesting he autograph her back. McCartney called Rose Ann Belluso up onstage and obliged. The next day, she had the signature tattooed on. She says getting the autograph was the best experience of her life, besides the birth of her two sons. **(AP)**

The Big Picture

CODY DUTY/AP

DANCERS FROM Project Bandaloop performed Tuesday on the side of Dallas' Thanksgiving Tower. The high-flying group is "inspired by the possibilities of climbing and rappelling" and "draws on aerial, vertical and horizontal movement to craft dances," according to Projectbandaloop.org. **(EXPRESS)**

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U.S. Could Ease Travel Restrictions To Cuba

Washington

The Obama administration, in a test of the Castro regime's appetite for reform, is considering easing travel restrictions to Cuba, U.S. and congressional officials said Tuesday.

The move would leave intact the nearly 50-year-old embargo against the communist regime but would expand opportunities for American students, educators and researchers to visit Cuba, the officials said. The discussions to ease restrictions follow the release in July of the first batch of political prisoners Havana had pledged to free.

President Obama has said that he wants to reach out to Cuba and promote democracy there by easing travel and financial restrictions. But he has also said there must be political or economic reforms before the U.S. takes further steps to ease Cuba's isolation.

A decision could be announced before the end of next week. Some in Congress have voiced opposition to a further easing in the restrictions, which Obama loosened last year. **MATTHEW LEE (AP)**

Ariz. Sheriff Inquiry Heats Up

Feds threaten to sue official at center of immigration debate

Washington

A federal investigation of a controversial Arizona sheriff known for tough immigration enforcement has intensified in recent days, escalating the conflict between the Obama administration and officials in the border state.

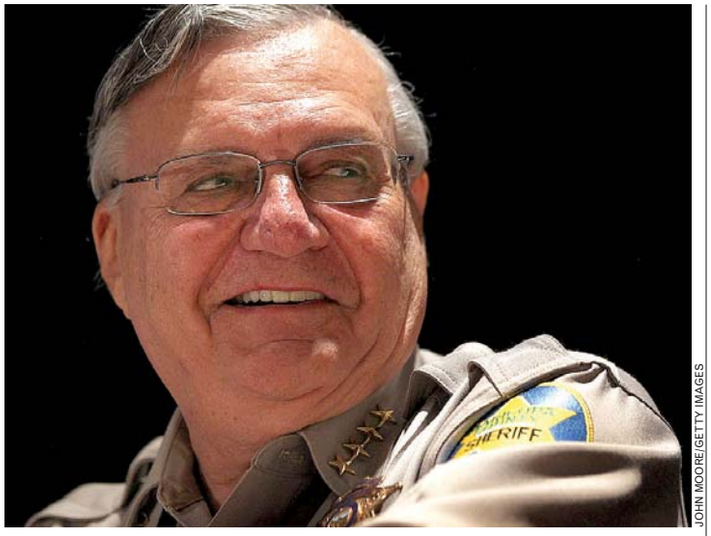
Justice Department officials in Washington have issued a rare threat to sue Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio if he doesn't cooperate by Tuesday with their investigation into whether he discriminates against Hispanics. The civil rights probe is one of two targeting the man who calls himself "America's Toughest Sheriff" — a federal grand jury in Phoenix is examining whether Arpaio has used his power to investigate and intimidate political opponents and whether his office misappropriated government funds, sources said.

The standoff comes just weeks after the Justice Department sued Arizona and Republican Gov. Jan Brewer over the state's new immigration law, heightening tensions over the issue ahead of November's midterm elections. It focuses renewed attention on Arpaio, a former D.C. police officer who runs a 3,800-employee department, and a state at the epicenter of the debate over the nation's estimated 12 million illegal immigrants.

Arpaio has in recent years become a kind of folk hero to those favoring his heavily publicized "crime sweeps," conducted mostly in Hispanic neighborhoods. At the same time, civil rights groups accuse the 78-year-old lawman of racial profiling. And some Maricopa County officials say Arpaio has launched meritless corruption investigations against officials who have criticized his policies or opposed his requests. Those allegations are at the core of the Justice Department investigations.

Two of Arpaio's lawyers, Robert N. Driscoll and Asheesh Agarwal, denied that the sheriff has engaged in racial profiling, misspent funds or targeted political enemies.

"The sheriff's office is cooperating fully with the grand jury investigation and has complete confidence that the inquiry will clear it of any wrongdoing," Agarwal said. **JERRY MARKON AND STEPHANIE MCCRUMMEN (THE WASHINGTON POST)**



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The Justice Department told Sheriff Joe Arpaio to cooperate in an investigation.

Facing Allegations

The Civil Rights Division investigation began in March 2009 and is focusing on whether Sheriff Joe Arpaio's department engaged in "discriminatory police practices and unconstitutional searches and seizures," along with allegations that his jail discriminated against Hispanic inmates, according to division letters. A complaint to the Justice Department said even bilingual jail guards are required to speak to inmates only in English, which could endanger their medical care. **(TWP)**

EVIDENCE

A former medical student accused of killing a masseuse he met through Craigslist scrawled the name of his former fiancee on the wall of his cell — apparently in blood — before committing suicide, authorities said Tuesday. The name "Megan" and the word "pocket" were found written above the door in Philip Markoff's cell at the Nashua Street Jail in Boston after he was found unresponsive Sunday morning, Suffolk District Attorney Daniel Conley said. **(AP)**

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Nation

Hearing Drops in Teens

Study suggests loud music has damaged one in five youngsters

Chicago

A stunning number of teens have lost a little bit of their hearing — nearly one in five — and the problem has increased substantially in recent years, a new national study has found.

Some experts are urging teenagers to turn down the volume on their digital music players, suggesting loud music through earbuds may be to blame — although hard evidence is lacking. They warn that slight hearing loss can cause problems in school and set the stage for hearing aids in later life.

"Our hope is we can encourage people to be careful," said the study's senior author, Dr. Gary Curhan of Harvard-affiliated Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

The researchers analyzed data on 12- to 19-year-olds from a nationwide health survey. They compared hearing loss in nearly 3,000 kids tested from 1988 to 1994 to nearly 1,800 kids tested over 2005 to 2006.

The prevalence of hearing loss increased from about 15 percent to 19.5 percent.

Most of the hearing loss was "slight," defined as inability to hear at 16 to 24 decibels — or sounds such as a whisper or rustling leaves. A teenager with slight hearing loss might not be able to hear water dripping or his mother whispering "good night."

Extrapolating to the nation's teens, that would mean about 6.5 million with at least slight hearing loss. CARLA K. JOHNSON (AP)

STEVEN SENNE/AP

Matthew Brady, 17, has mild hearing loss from listening to music that was too loud.

Blame the iPod?

While the researchers didn't single out iPods, they found a significant increase in high-frequency hearing loss, which may indicate that noise caused the problems. And they cited a 2010 Australian study that linked use of personal listening devices with a 70 percent increased risk of hearing loss in kids. "Prolonged exposure to loud noise is likely to be harmful to hearing, but that doesn't mean kids can't listen to MP3 players," Dr. Gary Curhan said. (AP)

250K **The number of vehicles** that General Motors Co. is recalling to inspect second-row seat belts that could be damaged and not latch. GM said Tuesday the recall affects 2009-2010 models, and owners will be notified this month by mail.

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Secret CIA Tapes Found

Videos show hidden prison interrogations of Sept. 11 terrorist

Washington

The CIA has videotapes, after all, of interrogations of admitted 9/11 plotter Ramzi Binalshibh in a secret overseas prison.

Discovered in a box under a desk at the CIA, the tapes could reveal how foreign governments aided the United States in holding and interrogating suspects. And they could complicate U.S. efforts to prosecute Binalshibh, who has been described as one of the "key plot facilitators" in the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

Apparently the tapes do not show harsh treatment — unlike videos the agency destroyed of the questioning of other suspected terrorists.

FLASHPOINT PARTNERS/AP

Newly discovered CIA tapes show 9/11 confessed terrorist Ramzi Binalshibh.

The two videotapes and one audiotape are believed to be the only existing recordings made within the clandestine prison system and depict Binalshibh's interrogation sessions in 2002 at a Moroccan-run facility the CIA used near Rabat, several current and former U.S. officials told The Associated Press.

When the CIA destroyed its cache of 92 videos of two other al-Qaeda operatives, Abu Zubaydah and Abd al-Nashiri, being waterboarded in 2005, officials believed they had wiped away all of the agency's interrogation footage. But in 2007, a staff member discovered a box tucked under a desk in the CIA's Counterterrorism Center and pulled out the Binalshibh tapes.

The American Civil Liberties Union has asked the government to provide more information about the tapes.

"Today's report is a stark reminder of how much information the government is still withholding about the Bush administration's interrogation policies," said Alexander Abdo, staff attorney with the ACLU National Security Project.

ADAM GOLDMAN AND MATT APUZZO (AP)

S.C. Mom Claims She Killed Kids

Orangeburg, S.C.

A South Carolina mother who claimed her two children drowned when their car careened into a river was charged with murder Tuesday after authorities said she confessed to suffocating the toddlers and then faking the accident.

Shaquan Duley, 29, told investigators she was distraught about money troubles and unemployment, said Orangeburg County Sheriff Larry Williams. He said Duley told them she killed the boys — 2-year-old Devean C. Duley and 18-month-old Ja'van T. Duley — after arguing with her mother about how she was raising the children.

"She truly felt, 'If I don't have these toddlers, I can be free,'" Williams said at a news conference.

Officials said they were unable to locate the children's father, who did not live with the family. Duley has another child, a 5-year-old girl, who was now with the grandmother. (AP)

Hearsay

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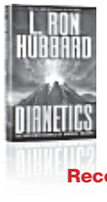

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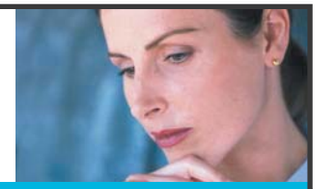

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World

Suicide Bomb Kills 61 Iraqis

Recruitment drive ends with Baghdad's worst blast in months

AP PHOTO

Family members of Saif Ali, 24, grieve at his funeral Tuesday in Najaf, Iraq. Ali was killed in the recruitment center attack.

Baghdad

Young men from some of Iraq's poorest areas waited all night outside an army recruitment center, only to become easy prey Tuesday for a suicide bomber who killed 61 of them. Desperate for jobs, dazed survivors rushed to get back in line after the attack.

Officials quickly blamed al-Qaeda for the deadliest single act of violence in the capital in months. Police said 125 people were wounded.

Bodies of bloodied young men, some still clutching job applications in their hands, were scattered on the ground outside the headquarters' gate. Soldiers collected bits of flesh and stray hands and legs as frantic Iraqis showed up to search for relatives.

The early morning bombing in central Baghdad starkly displayed Iraqi forces' failure to plug even the most obvious holes in their security two weeks before the formal end of the U.S. combat role in Iraq.

Army and police recruitment centers have been frequent targets for militants, underscoring the determination of the applicants to risk their lives for work in a country with an unemployment rate estimated as high as 30 percent.

Ali Ibrahim, 21, who suffered minor shrapnel wounds in the blast, returned to the line after his release from the hospital.

"I came back with my friend to try to get in. We are forced to come back for the sake of earning a living by securing the job," said Ibrahim, who had been waiting since 3 a.m. The men waited in vain. The recruitment center was shut down after the attack, and the military said it would not reopen. Even so, some applicants remained there until mid-afternoon.

Elsewhere in Baghdad, a bomb attached to a fuel truck detonated in the mostly Shiite neighborhood of Ur on Tuesday night, killing 10 people, wounding 46 and causing a nearby gas station to catch fire, according to police and hospital officials. Military recruiting stations and security checkpoints continue to be easy targets for insurgents, who have killed 454 soldiers, policemen and government-backed local militias so far this year, according to an Associated Press count. (AP)

U.S.: Exit Still 'on Track'

The deadly suicide bombing outside a Baghdad army headquarters won't halt Iraq's transition to democracy — or the U.S. troop withdrawal, the White House said Tuesday. Deputy Press Secretary Bill Burton said both are "firmly on track." U.S. troops in Iraq are scheduled to end their role in major combat operations by the end of the month. The remaining force of 50,000 is to focus on training, backup and counterterrorism. (AP)

"I have no option but to come back to the line. If there were other job opportunities, I would not be here in the first place."

— **ALI AHMED**, 34, A FATHER OF TWO WHO RETURNED TO THE RECRUITMENT CENTER AFTER TAKING A FRIEND TO THE HOSPITAL.

ELIE DASA/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Palestinian Nadim Injaz allegedly broke into the Turkish embassy late Tuesday.

Palestinian Captured In Embassy Standoff

Tel Aviv, Israel

A Palestinian who broke into the Turkish Embassy in Israel trying to take hostages and demanding asylum was turned over to Israeli authorities late Tuesday, ending a tense standoff.

Seven hours after he forced his way into the embassy, the attacker was escorted out of the embassy and bundled into an Israeli ambulance. Wearing a light blue shirt and limping slightly from an apparent gunshot wound, he raised his arms briefly and shouted before Israeli police and paramedics subdued him.

Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman Yigal Palmor identified the attacker as Nadim Injaz, a Palestinian from the West Bank town of Ramallah. Israeli police said Injaz was recently released from prison after serving time for an attack on the British Embassy four years ago, also to seek asylum.

Channel 2 TV played a recording of a phone call it said came from the attacker. "I have two hostages," he said in Hebrew. "I will blow up the embassy. ... If they don't let me leave this country now, I will burn down the whole building." (AP)

Pakistan President: Despite Criticism, We Must 'Move Forward'

Shikarpur, Pakistan

Victims of Pakistan's deadly floods mobbed relief trucks carrying food Tuesday, and authorities in the northwest warned of famine unless the region's farmers got immediate help with planting new crops.

The floods began three weeks ago, but there is little sign conditions are improving for about 20 million people — or one in nine Pakistanis — who are affected. Tens of thousands of villages remain under water, and officials feared that more flooding could be on the way.

The already shaky and unpopular government has been sorely tested by the disaster, which is complicating the U.S.-backed campaign against Islamist militants.

In a meeting with local aid groups, President Asif Ali Zardari acknowledged Tuesday that the disaster response had not been very good.

"Yes, the situation could have been better," he said. "We have to move forward despite whatever criticism we get." (AP)

AARON FAVILA/AP

Flood survivors ask for goods Tuesday at a camp near Multan, Pakistan.

World

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Israeli army soldier Eden Aberjil poses in front of blindfolded Palestinian prisoners.

Israeli Says Photo Was 'Thoughtless'

Former soldier took pictures of prisoners, posted them online

Jerusalem

A former Israeli soldier who posted photos on Facebook of herself in uniform smiling beside bound and blindfolded Palestinian prisoners said Tuesday her actions were "thoughtless." But she insisted she did not humiliate the detainees.

Eden Aberjil struck a defensive tone in a pair of radio interviews, claiming that she did not do anything wrong and that similar things take place "every day" in the army.

Both the Israeli army and Palestinian officials condemned Aberjil over the photographs — one of which was accompanied by an exchange with a friend including jokes and sexual innuendoes. Because she has completed her mandatory service, however, it's unclear whether she will face any disciplinary action.

Speaking to Israel's Army Radio station, Aberjil called her decision to post the photos, taken in 2008 near the Gaza Strip, "thoughtless and innocent." She added: "I still don't understand what wasn't OK."

She attacked her local critics, saying they were more concerned about international criticism than protecting a soldier who served her country. **AISHA MOHAMMED (AP)**

Military's New Foe

The security-obsessed Israeli military is confronting a new adversary — trying to control what its soldiers post to the Internet. Facebook, along with YouTube and other popular sites, is turning into a formidable nuisance for the army, as young recruits in this tech-crazy country post embarrassing and potentially sensitive information online, circumventing tight military controls. **(AP)**

CLEARED

The mother wrongly convicted of murdering her infant after the baby infamously disappeared in the Australian Outback 30 years ago pleaded Tuesday for her daughter's death certificate to state that a dingo was responsible. A coroner initially found that a dingo, a type of wild canine, had taken the 9-week-old baby, but that ruling was overturned. **(AP)**

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World

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Brazilian TV host Marcelo Tas can't mock politicians until Oct. 3 and possibly longer.

Election No Laughing Matter for Brazilians

Rio de Janeiro

Make no joke about it: Brazil's presidential election is a serious affair, devoid of Jon Stewart's wry jabs, sidesplitting Top 10 lists or the "Saturday Night Live" cast lampooning politicians left and right that characterized the latest U.S. contest.

The reason: Brazilian TV and radio broadcasters are legally forbidden from making fun of candidates ahead of the nation's Oct. 3 election and a possible second-round runoff on Oct. 31.

With the first wave of on-air political ads starting Tuesday, Brazil's comedians and satirists are planning to fight for their right to ridicule with protests in Rio de Janeiro and other cities Sunday.

They call it the anti-joking law, which prohibits ridiculing candidates in the three months before elections.

"Do you know of any other democracy in the world with rules like this?" said Marcelo Tas, the acerbic host of a weekly TV comedy show that skewers politicians and celebrities alike.

Fernando Neves, a former head of the electoral court, defended the law as fair-minded: "A broadcaster cannot make jokes that make one candidate look bad," he told the O Globo newspaper recently. "The law doesn't permit it, and I think it has its reason for being."

Proponents say the restrictions keep candidates from being portrayed unfairly. BRADLEY BROOKS (AP)

Zip Your Lip

Making fun of candidates on air ahead of elections is punishable by fines up to $112,000 and a broadcast-license suspension — though only a few fines have ever been handed out. The law holds that TV and radio programs cannot "use trickery, montages or other features of audio or video in any way to degrade or ridicule a candidate, party or coalition." The Internet is government-run and not covered under the law. (AP)

NETWORKING

North Korea has joined Twitter, appearing to have ramped up its propaganda war against South Korea and the U.S. by turning to the social networking site and by joining YouTube, under the user name uriminzokkiri, to post more than 80 videos. The clips include condemnation of "warmongers" South Korea and the U.S. (AP)

Blagojevich Saga Goes On

Former Ill. governor faces retrial after federal jury stalls on 23 corruption charges

Chicago

A federal jury found former Illinois governor Rod Blagojevich guilty on Tuesday of one count of lying to federal agents, and the judge said he intended to declare a mistrial on the more serious remaining 23 counts.

Prosecutors immediately vowed to retry the case against Blagojevich and his co-defendant brother as soon as possible. The charges had included the accusation that they had tried to sell or trade President Obama's old Senate seat and that the governor had tried to use the power of his office for personal gain.

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The number of days the jury deliberated over the 24 counts against the ousted former governor.

Rod Blagojevich — known for his showmanlike, over-the-top personality — showed no emotion as the verdict was read. Before jurors came in he sat with his hands folded, looking down, picking at his fingernails. He and his lawyer said they would appeal the conviction.

"They could not prove I did anything wrong — except for one nebulous charge from five years ago," Blagojevich said.

The jury's conclusion ended an 11-week trial during which a foul-mouthed Blagojevich was heard on secretly made FBI wiretap tapes saying the power to name a senator was "[expletive] golden" and that he wasn't going to give up "for [expletive] nothing."

The count on which Blagojevich was convicted, one of the less serious counts against him, included accusations that he lied to federal agents when he said he did not track campaign contributions and kept a "firewall" between political campaigns and government work. It carries a sentence of up to five years in prison. Some of the more serious charges, such as racketeering, carried up to a 20-year penalty.

Judge James B. Zagel set a hearing for Aug. 26 to decide the manner and timing of the retrial.

It had been clear that jurors were struggling. Last week, they told Zagel they had reached a unanimous decision on just two counts and had not even considered 11 others. There was no immediate explanation about whether they later disagreed.

Jurors appeared more haggard Tuesday than they did during the trial. As they filed into the courtroom, many appeared nervous, some looking down at the ground as Zagel read the verdict form to himself first, then passed it on to a bailiff. They had asked earlier Tuesday for advice on filling out their verdict forms and a copy of the oath they took before deliberating.

The jurors did not remain at the courthouse to explain their decisions.

U.S. Attorney Patrick Fitzgerald was in the main courtroom for the verdict for the first time since the trial began. He sat at the end of a spectator's bench near a wall on the opposite side of the room from Blagojevich, his hands folded across court documents. He looked on blank-faced as the verdict was read. His team of young prosecutors reflected the same mood, also looking on impassively.

After the verdict was read, defense attorney Sam Adam Jr. rubbed his own forehead and mouth, appearing to shake his head in disgust. The former governor's wife, Patti Blagojevich, leaned over in her chair, shaking her head.

Brother Robert Blagojevich said the jury's conclusion showed he's been "an innocent target of the federal government" all along.

"I feel strong. I feel confident. I don't feel in any way deterred. I've done nothing wrong," he told reporters at the courthouse. "I've got ultimate confidence in my acquittal."

Added the former governor: "The jury agreed that the government did not prove its case." (AP)

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Ex-Illinois governor Rod Blagojevich vowed to appeal after the jury found him guilty of lying.

Precedent

Rod Blagojevich's trial was another chapter in Illinois' history of crooked politics. His predecessor, George Ryan, above, was convicted of racketeering in 2006 and is serving a 6 1/2 year-sentence.

Trial Tactics

Defense attorneys had argued that Rod Blagojevich was a big talker, but never committed a crime. They took a huge gamble by deciding not to call any witnesses — including Blagojevich, who had repeatedly promised to take the stand — in hopes of convincing jurors that the prosecution had not proved its case. Prosecutors relied heavily on the FBI wiretaps, in which Blagojevich spewed profanity and speculated about getting a Cabinet job in exchange for the Senate appointment. Several witnesses also testified that they felt pressured to donate money to Blagojevich's campaign in exchange for favorable state action. (AP)

Local

Bloomberg Gives Nod to Fenty

N.Y.C. mayor endorses his protege ahead of D.C. mayoral primary

Washington

New York Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg endorsed Mayor Adrian M. Fenty, a Democrat, in his reelection Tuesday, saying the District is "more accountable, more transparent, more effective" under the young mayor.

Bloomberg, who has had a major influence on Fenty over the past four years, appeared to base a brief endorsement speech on the talking points of Fenty's campaign.

Phrasing was familiar: Fenty has made "tough, smart decisions" and he "gets the job done."

"I think Washington, D.C., is really lucky to have him," Bloomberg said at a news conference at the cavernous Carmine's restaurant in Penn Quarter.

Fenty said the endorsement "brings my political career full circle." He said he turned to Bloomberg and New York for inspiration for the District's smoking ban, community policing and improved sanitation services.

"All of those were things that we talked about when we were running for mayor ... and implemented," Fenty said. "We literally stole the whole 311 system from New York."

JACQUELYN MARTIN/AP

"I think Washington, D.C., is really lucky to have him."

— **MICHAEL BLOOMBERG,** MAYOR OF NEW YORK CITY, ABOUT D.C. MAYOR ADRIAN FENTY, WHO HE SUPPORTS.

The endorsement comes 28 days before the Sept.14 primary, which pits Fenty against chief rival Council Chairman Vincent C. Gray. Political observers say Gray has been gaining momentum.

NIKITA STEWART (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Meanwhile ...

D.C. elections officials say almost 2,068 voters have switched parties to become Democrats this year ahead of the Sept. 14 primary. In a city where 75 percent of voters are Democrats, the primary is traditionally the contest that elects the mayor. Monday was the last day to change parties to vote in the primaries. **(AP)**

DISCOVERIES

Gov. Bob McDonnell will announce Thursday that Virginia's final 2010 budget surplus will be about $400 million, almost twice the previous estimate, state officials said. About $229 million comes from tax collections. McDonnell will also announce how the money will be spent, including $82.3 million for a 3 percent bonus for state employees and $20 million for education. **(TWP)**

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Daily 6 (Mon.)	9-11-12-19-21-26 (1)

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Mid-day Pick 3	7-5-3
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.)	9-0-7
Mid-day Pick 4	5-9-2-7
Evening Pick 4 (Mon.)	8-5-6-9
Match 5 (Mon.)	3-7-25-33-38 (31)

Virginia

Mid-day Pick 3	3-0-1
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.)	5-1-5
Mid-day Pick 4	0-9-0-5
Evening Pick 4 (Mon.)	1-5-4-6
Mid-day Cash 5 (Tues.)	4-6-10-28-33
Evening Cash 5 (Mon.)	5-11-16-17-28

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DC Rider

What's sexist is assuming that someone is in greater need of a seat just because she is a woman."

— **COMMENTER MAXWELL REBY GRAHAM**, RESPONDING TO YESTERDAY'S QUESTION: "IS IT CHIVALROUS OR SEXIST FOR A MAN TO GIVE UP HIS SEAT FOR A FEMALE PASSENGER?"

Today's Question

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Pepco: Responses Could Improve

Baltimore

Pepco officials appearing before the Maryland Public Service Commission Tuesday morning said they were not "terribly disappointed" with the company's response to recent storms, but that "there is always room for improvement."

The five-member commission, which regulates utilities and sets utility rates in the state, announced last Thursday that it was launching an investigation into how Pepco responded during July and August storms that left almost a half-million people without power.

Pepco executives said the shortfalls came mainly in communicating with the public. But they acknowledged under questioning that various rating services have ranked Pepco low on reliability in recent years, compared to other power companies. Those ratings do not include response to major storms in their data and instead look at day-to-day service. **(TWP)**

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Three Cheers for the Nats

Strasburg, Zimmerman and now Harper give the team reason for optimism

The Nationals

Baseball fans can win two ways. Their team can be great. Or a player can be so sublime that his performance, year after year, almost every day for six months at a time, gives so much accumulated pleasure that his individual art actually rivals victory.

On average in a 30-team sport, a town gets to celebrate a world title about once a generation. So, what binds us to the game, the team and the ritual enjoyments of a season if our highest celebrations arrive so rarely? Usually, it's our favorite individual players, especially those who amaze or even inspire us.

By Thomas Boswell

A franchise and a town are lucky if they have one such player a generation. Washington had only one glimpse of one Hall of Fame player — Harmon Killebrew for a few years — between the '30s and the day the last version of the Senators left town in '71.

Now, after a $9.9-million deal with less than a minute to go before a midnight signing deadline, the Nationals have added Bryce Harper to Stephen Strasburg and Ryan Zimmerman. A team that, little more than a year ago, seemed almost hopeless, now has three players with face-of-franchise talent, ages 17, 22 and 25, spaced out to anchor a franchise for a decade.

Within 364 days, the Nationals have signed two young players who, according to almost every independent judge of talent in the sport, have the potential to become as great as the very best power pitchers and sluggers who ever lived.

It's not smoke. It's happening. Just five years after getting a team back after a 33-year absence, Washington fans are getting a reward that, while perhaps not as cherished as a World Series, ranks enormously high. If you believe in the wheel of karma, you must be tempted to spinning 'round to "Washington" again.

Few franchises ever have a moment even remotely similar to what the Nats are experiencing. Strasburg will be under team control through the 2016 season, and Harper, if he becomes a regular at 21, would be an indentured Nats employee until 2020.

If you can't build on that foundation, what are you waiting for?

Maybe, in time, both of these No. 1 overall draft picks will become historic players. Or one will. Or neither. But only Washington will get to watch up close, hometown style, for a fat, juicy handful of seasons at the very least.

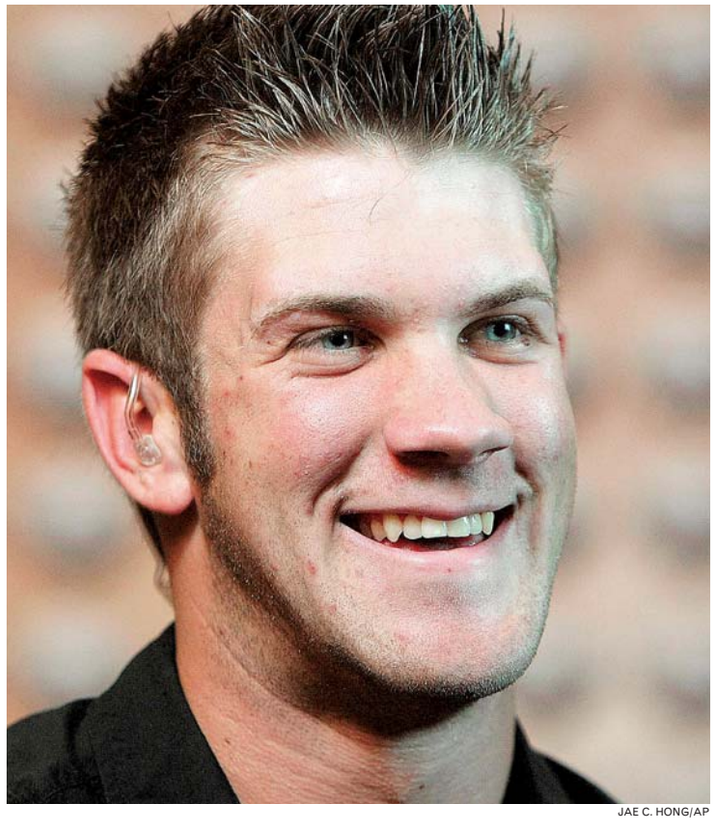
In an extra twist, if Zimmerman, already a winner of a Gold Glove and a Silver Slugger, keeps improving as he has again this year, the day may come when his entire career is one of those that a whole town never forgets.

However, while the path to the playoffs is vague, the arrival of Harper and Strasburg is as obvious as a thunderclap. Such players, especially when they arrive young, change the way a city bonds to a team and joins in nurturing its development.

"For fans, there is nothing better than growing up with a team, watching young players arrive and adopting them," said team President Stan Kasten.

"Could we have done things quicker and won more games sooner? Probably," he admitted. Then he shrugged: "But if it had been done quicker, we wouldn't have either Strasburg or Harper."

So, now the Double No. 1 Drama begins. Now they are linked, Harper and Strasburg, in baseball lore. "It's never happened before," said General Manager Mike Rizzo. "No one has ever had two No. 1 overall picks back-to-back ... with this vast talent. It's just extraordinary. (THE WASHINGTON POST)



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How the Deal Got Done

The saga of making Bryce Harper a National began June 7, when the Nats drafted Harper out of the College of Southern Nevada. GM Mike Rizzo initially hoped the Nationals could sign Harper soon; Nats President Kasten bet him $1 that would never happen. When talks did not progress immediately following the draft, the Rizzo realized the negotiation would linger until close to the deadline. On Monday night, the Nationals and super-agent Scott Boras began building the framework of a deal by 11, early enough, they thought, to avoid a last-second showdown. Yet, "With a full minute to go, Mike and I both thought we were not going to have a deal," Kasten said. As the seconds ticked down, the Nationals and Boras pushed aside small differences. They had come far enough that both sides knew leaving a deal on the table would be absurd. And when, exactly, did the smoke clear? "We don't know," Kasten said. "It's not an exaggeration. I can't explain it or brag about it. But it was inside the last minute." (TWP)

Harper's contract calls for a signing bonus of

$6.25M

in five equal payments of $1.25 million: Thirty days after approval and each July 1 from 2011 through 2014. He receives salaries of $500,000 each in 2011 and 2012, $750,000 in 2013, $900,000 in 2014 and $1 million in 2015.

Roster bonuses could raise the total value of the deal to

$10.9M

Harper can earn up to an extra $500,000 in each of the last two years of the contract, getting $125,000 each time each year if he spends 30, 60, 90 and 120 days on the active major league roster. The Nationals also agreed to pay for eight semesters of college for the player, who played in junior college last year.

It's Better to Be Lucky Than Good

The original Nats "plan" was to be very bad in '07 and lose enough games to get the No. 1 overall draft pick in '08. But they blew it and went 73-89. Then, in '08 and '09, when they entered a new publicly-funded park and wanted to show progress, they were awful — the worst team in baseball. Even then, they needed ironic good luck. In '08, with Strasburg up for grabs, Seattle had the lead for worst record. But the Mariners hired an interim manager, Jim Riggleman, who rallied Seattle just enough late in the season so the Nats could be worst. The baseball gods know how to laugh: Riggleman ended up managing in his own hometown with Strasburg as his ace.

Sports

AP: Agent Laws Rarely Enforced

Review shows lax oversight opens door for rules to be broken

College Sports

When sports agent Jason Paul Wood met a pair of Miami baseball players in 2006 to talk about turning pro, his failure to notify the university and register with the state of Florida cost him a $2,500 fine.

Like 41 other states and the federal government, Florida has laws intended to keep amateur college athletes from losing their eligibility — and their schools from getting in trouble with the NCAA — because of dealings with an agent.

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The number of states in the AP study that reported taking no criminal action against sports agents.

At a time when concern about improper contact between athletes and agents is spiking, however, cases such as Wood's are an exception, not the rule.

Legislatures have passed a flurry of laws in recent years designed to make states part of the effort to stop unscrupulous agents — along with the NCAA and, to a lesser extent, pro player unions. The idea is to ensure fair play and shield amateurs until they are done with school.

Yet an AP review has found that more than half of the 42 states with sports agent laws have yet to revoke or suspend a single license, or invoke penalties of any sort. Likewise for the Federal Trade Commission, which in 2004 was given oversight authority by Congress.

"The actions of sports agents can do enormous damage to schools, to student-athletes and to the integrity of college athletics," said Rep. Bart Gordon, D-Tenn., who sponsored the federal law. "Unfortunately, the sports agent involved has often walked away with no punishment."

Now the football programs at Florida and Alabama — the last two national champions — are under investigation for alleged improper contact. So is North Carolina, among others.

In the study, the number of registered agents ranged from one in North Dakota to 400 in California, but state figures were so sketchy that a complete national picture could not be put together. Under the laws, agents are typically required to register where they live and where they do business. Many agents know they can ignore the requirements, said Kenneth Shropshire, a University of Pennsylvania sports law attorney and former agent.

"If you've got bank robbers and rapists, white-collar crime — how many agent issues should be raised to the top of some prosecutor's desk?" said Shropshire.

ALAN SCHER ZAGIER (AP)

DAVE MARTIN/AP

Florida's Urban Meyer and Nick Saban, the last two coaches to win the national title, are fighting back against sports agents.

Backstory

NCAA rules allow agents to meet with college athletes. However, they forbid those students from entering into contracts — with agents or accepting meals, gifts, transportation and other incentives as a hook to sign contracts later. The problem is that NCAA regulations apply to athletes and schools, not the agents themselves. So, when Heisman Trophy winner Reggie Bush was found to have received improper benefits at Southern California, the perennial football power was the one punished most — losing scholarships and getting banned from bowl games for two years, among other things. (AP)

"We're all trying to put our heads together to figure out what we can do to level the playing field."

— ALABAMA COACH NICK SABAN, WHO ORGANIZED A CONFERENCE CALL LAST WEEK TO ADDRESS THE AGENT PROBLEM WITH OTHER BIG-NAME COLLEGE COACHES.

AP

Bobby Thomson hits "the shot heard 'round the world" on Oct. 3, 1951.

Ex-Giant Thomson Dies at 86

Obituary

Bobby Thomson, whose "shot heard 'round the world" in 1951 has echoed through baseball history as perhaps the game's most famous home run, has died. He was 86.

Thomson had been in failing health for several years. He died at home in Savannah, Ga., on Monday night, the Fox & Weeks funeral home said Tuesday.

Thomson connected off Ralph Branca for a three-run homer in the bottom of the ninth inning in the decisive Game 3 of a National League pennant playoff, lifting the New York Giants over the Brooklyn Dodgers.

The drive into the stands at the Polo Grounds and broadcaster Russ Hodges' ecstatic call of "The Giants win the pennant!" remain one of the signature moments in major league history. (AP)

TV Lineup

NATIONALS (7 P.M., MASN) The Nats, who are rejoicing in the signing of Bryce Harper, hope to celebrate on the field versus the Braves.

BASEBALL (7 P.M., 10 P.M., ESPN) The Philadelphia Phillies host the San Francisco Giants, and the Colorado Rockies visit the Los Angeles Dodgers.

BOXING (10 P.M., ESPN2) Middleweights Erislandy Lara (12-0-0) and Willis Lee (17-6-0) fight in Monroe, La.

SOFTBALL (7 P.M., ESPN2) The championship game of the World Series in Portland, Ore.

Haynesworth Exits Practice Early

The Redskins

Defensive lineman Albert Haynesworth cut practice short Tuesday because he wasn't feeling well, but the details are a bit murky.

Haynesworth participated in individual drills, but when the team went into 11-on-11, he didn't last long. For much of practice, Haynesworth could be seen without his pads and with a towel on his head. At the conclusion of practice, Haynesworth offered few clues.

"Ask the coach," he said. "I have no comment." (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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The number of games four French soccer team players were suspended for a World Cup mutiny that was criticized by President Nicolas Sarkozy and underlined an embarrassing first-round exit. (AP)

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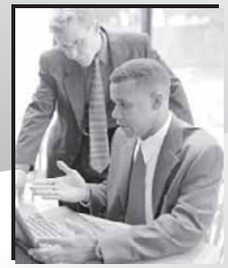

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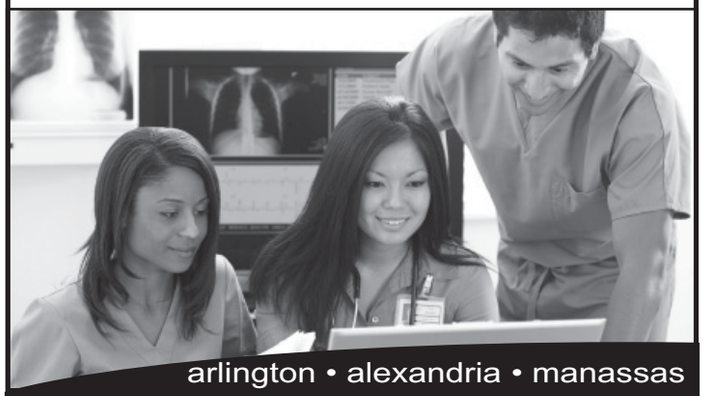

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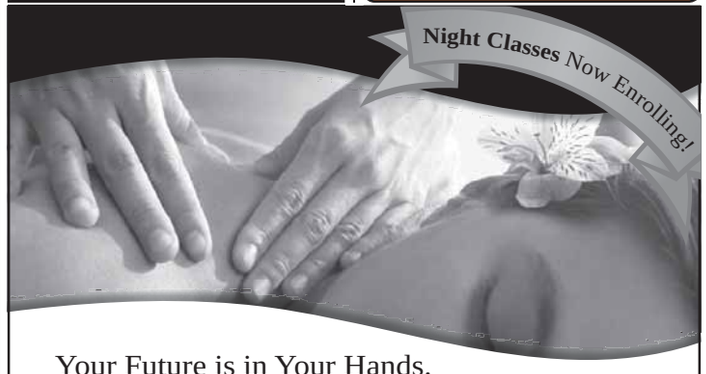

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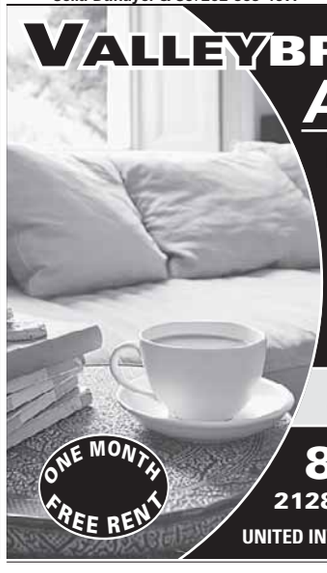

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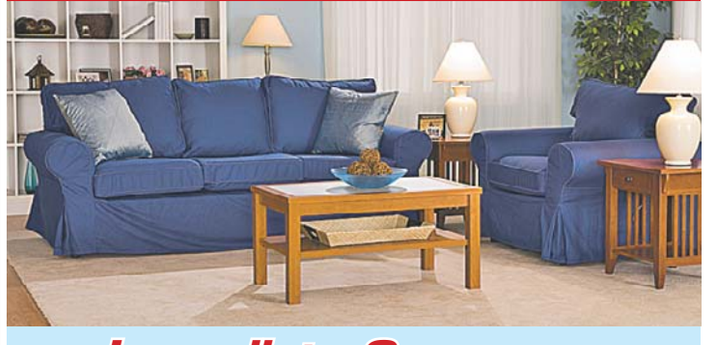

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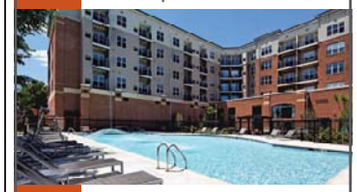

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By Kenneth Terrell

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BEFORE HIS TIME

A posthumous disc by rapper Camu Tao reveals a talent who was silenced too early

Album Review

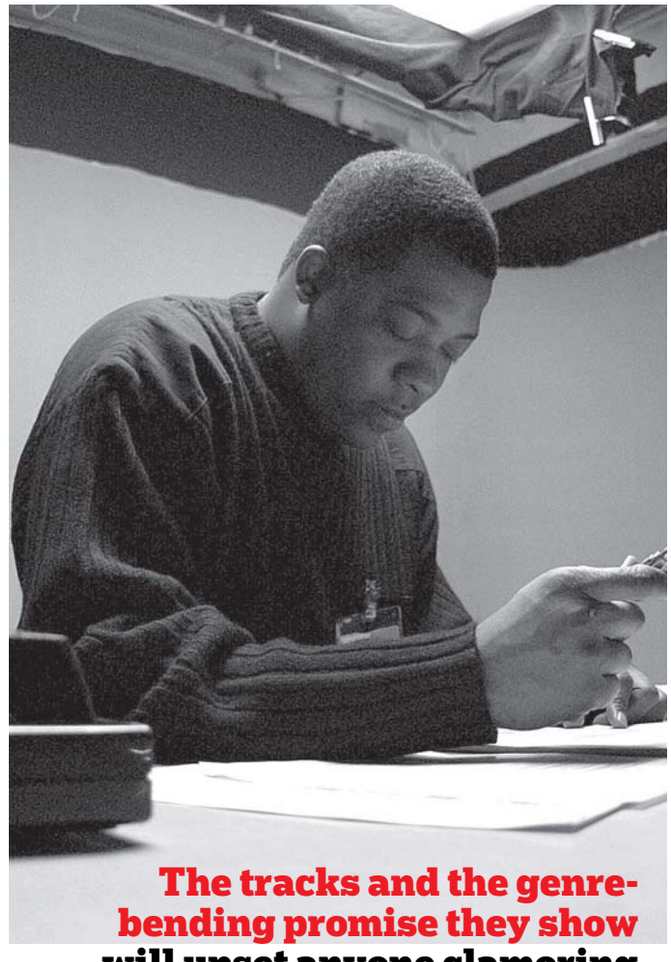
Posthumous albums can be great or awful. There really is no in-between in the genre, which in recent years has been defined by artists as varied as Tupac Shakur, Elliott Smith and Jeff Buckley. With fans clamoring for final works from artists who've met untimely deaths, the releases are a cash cow for record companies, even if they don't always shed much light on the artists.

It's doubtful that Definitive Jux and Fat Possum Records will make much money off "King of Hearts," the only solo album from rapper and producer Camu Tao, who passed away in May 2008. But that doesn't mean the release is forgettable; in fact, the record hints at what Camu Tao could have accomplished if he'd lived.

King Of Hearts
Camu Tao

Best known for his turns with rap group Weathermen and his production work with Definitive Jux founder El-P, Camu Tao had decided to strike out on his own before his death. The tracks and the genre-bending promise they show will, understandably, upset anyone clamoring for a new sound in hip-hop: Camu Tao was making it, and then he died. The world sucks.

For the most part, the 16-track album is not a straight-up rap release. With tinges of electronica, punk and rock, the album is a mix of influences that end up making for a rather schizophrenic experiment.


CASSIDY GEARHART

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Things start off in a heavily house direction, with "Be a Big Girl" and "Bird Flu" displaying an electronica thump and a funky flair that channels that strange level of "Super Mario Land" that found you weaving through Egyptian caves. With strong drums and singsongy vocals, both tracks display an upbeat instrumentation and rather menacing lyrics. On "Bird Flu," Camu Tao really only has a few lines — "Excuse me, I don't mean to disturb you/But I am the bird flu," he warns — with the majority of the song dominated by heavy bass and synth.

With more time, would Camu Tao have added more verses or effects to make the song more disconcerting than dance-y? Anything is possible, but as the song stands, it's a telling glimpse of a man ready and willing to mix genres to create something both catchy and sinister. ROXANA HADADI

Motivation

Final Project

On "King of Hearts," listeners hear the culmination of Camu Tao's work in his last years, as he was treated for terminal lung cancer between 2006 and 2008, when he died at the age of 30. "This album ... was one of the few things that he was able to funnel his emotions, anger and disbelief into when he was ill," Camu's fiancée, Gayle Gutter, told the Other Paper in Columbus, Ohio. "So, I hope people can listen to it with an open mind." (EXPRESS)

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1 Leading Lady

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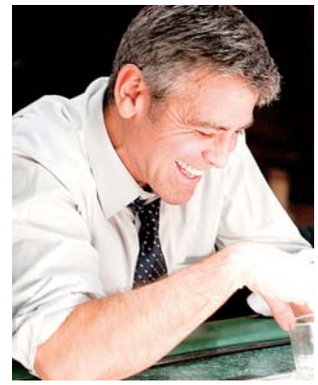

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A Crusade for Change

A Nepalese soldier fights for equality in 'Woman Rebel'

Documentary

HBO2 8:00

How's this for a first film? A fledgling director just out of college gains unprecedented access to a shadowy revolutionary army and travels to the remote Himalayas to document them.

Directed by Kiran Deol, "Woman Rebel" follows Silu, a young woman from Nepal, as she joins the Maoist army trying to overthrow a monarchy that she believes caters only to the rich. Like Silu, more than 40 percent of the insurgents are women seeking equal rights in a rigidly hierarchical society.

Silu's fellow female rebels demand the right to an education, to own property, the ability to go to court in cases of domestic abuse and the equal right to serve in government.

After a civil war from 1996 to 2006, the Maoists were incorporated into the government and Silu was elected to a local position.

"Woman Rebel" contrasts Silu's attitudes with a traditional society where women have long been ignored and parents frequently pray for male heirs. Silu does not think change will come in her lifetime. "Women have always faced discrimination and violence. I want a daughter who will continue to fight against that." KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

COURTESY HBO

Silu, a woman who joined Nepal's Maoist army, combats gender discrimination.

Best Bets

CW 9:00

Plain Jane Louise tries to help a woman who dresses only in black and gray to conquer her fear of rejection and find the courage to reveal her feelings to her crush. And what better way to demonstrate that courage than by jumping into a tank of sharks?

TNT 9:00

Dark Blue Carter (Dylan McDermott, left) and the team infiltrate a casino to investigate the presumed murder of a law student with a gambling addiction, but Ty takes his cover identity as a high roller too far. Alex is concerned about the risks that Jaimie takes with their target, a loan shark.

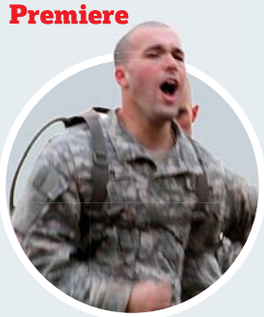
BRAVO 10:00

Top Chef The remaining cheftestants tackle a quick-fire challenge in which they must guess the ingredients inside a mystery box. The elimination challenge finds them cooking for CIA Director Leon Panetta, right.

TVLAND 10:00

Hot in Cleveland This sitcom has experienced nothing but sunny skies, ratings-wise, in its freshman year, but as the first season comes to a close, a tornado threatens to hit Cleveland, and the ladies find way more than just shelter in Elka's (Betty White, left) secret storm cellar. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)

Premiere



To Their Limits

The new reality series "Surviving the Cut" (10 p.m. on DSC) chronicles how select candidates for special operations' most elite forces — including divers and bomb specialists — are pushed to the brink at special schools, where they are shaped into human weapons to meet the challenges of the most classified military operations in the world. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)

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Ways to keep your travel experience as Zen-like as possible

New York

OK, OK, we get it: It's tough to be a flight attendant.

We get it even more now after Steven Slater's now-famous "peace out" move. But a little sympathy, please: it's tough to be a passenger these days, too. Here's a rundown of how to make your travel experience more Zen-like, from booking to landing:

Booking

There are a few steps you can take before you even get off the ground to make your trip less expletive-worthy. For starters, choose a flight early in the morning — they are less prone to delays. (Plus, you might find that the other passengers are too tired to get rowdy.)

If you make a mistake, like making a reservation on the wrong day, most airlines will give you 24 hours to change your ticket without fees.

ISTOCK PHOTO

Passenger irking you? Keep your cool and ask a flight attendant to re-seat you.

Airport ease and Avoiding fees

Although preparation is the biggest key to comfortable air travel, there are also a few simple things everyone can do to avoid fees.

If you have luggage that's small enough to fit on the plane but big enough to steal a lot of space in the overhead compartment, check it at the gate. Airlines generally don't charge you bag fees when you relinquish your luggage plane-side.

The big picture

To modernize an old expression, "Only you can prevent air travel misery." As passengers, we have to be willing to be sympathetic to other people's feelings.

Take into account that the flight attendant who's rolling her eyes is probably overworked, and the passenger who barks at you might be dealing with some other stress at home.

If it's a passenger who's irking you, ask to be re-seated. If it's an airline employee who's troubling you, don't get hotheaded. It's best to take a couple deep breaths and try to let the problem roll off your shoulders. SAMANTHA BOMKAMP (AP)

Be Prepared

From booking to checking bags, using the Internet makes it possible to avoid virtually all interactions with airline staff.

- Kayak.com shows a full rundown of airline fees. Southwest Airlines Co. doesn't charge for bags, and JetBlue Airways Corp. offers the most space for your legs.
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WHEN: Sept. 8-Oct. 27.

DETAILS: Does not include about $100 per person in taxes.

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WHEN: Through Nov. 4.

DETAILS: All taxes are included.

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Healthy Volunteers 21 - 45 Years Old Needed!

The National Institute of Mental Health at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD is conducting an outpatient research study exploring the effects of hormones on mild stress.

The study requires 3 outpatient visits lasting 3 to 4 hours each. Volunteers will be interviewed and will complete a series of tasks in which physiological functioning will be recorded. Volunteers will receive either a hormone or saline, both given as a nasal spray, and then be exposed to stimuli that may cause mild anxiety.

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- have problems with your wrists or hands
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Location of study:
- Study is conducted in Bethesda, Maryland, accessible by metro via the Red Line (Medical Center stop).

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Man With a Van?

Celeb chef Tyler Florence knows no culinary boundaries. He's drawn big audiences with Food Network shows such as "How to Boil Water" and "Tyler's Ultimate." But with a Florentine empire including his signature San Fran restaurant, Wayfare Tavern, and a line of organic baby food, the spirited, all-American chef isn't tied to his cooktop. Now, he's taking the cucina on the road as host of Food Network's new show "The Great Food Truck Race," a competition that pits the staffs of culinary carts against each other in different cities each week. The team that rings up the highest dollar amount of burgers, crepes or whatever advances to the next round; losers truck home without the $50,000 prize. And with these chow mobiles doling out everything from Vietnamese sandwiches to Cajun shrimp, audiences can see that food on four wheels has rolled way beyond hot dogs. Bite into the show Sundays at 9 p.m. KATHERINE BOYLE (EXPRESS)

If you could cook one meal for the Obama family, what would it be?
I would keep it really simple. I'd pull a lot out of their garden and focus on seasonality. They make an important effort to keep organics in their house. I would definitely cook something northern California-inspired.

Food trucks have gotten really popular in recent years. Why?
You can trace it back to the economy falling apart. There were all these very talented chefs with restaurants closing like crazy, and no one could get a business loan to open up new ones. A lot of very talented chefs had to come up with a creative outlet for the craft. So, they went from four walls to four wheels. They said, "Really, it's not about where I cook but what I cook."

FOOD NETWORK

On "The Great Food Truck Race," rolling culinary entrepreneurs compete for bucks.

Are there any limitations to cooking in a truck?
There are zero limitations. That's the great thing about the trend. These trucks have very clear, articulated brands. It's not like these guys are opening up hamburger trucks. They've come up with foods that are really phenomenal.

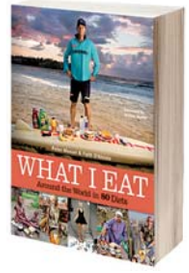
Did the cities you visited embrace the food truck trend?
I was always blown away by how well cities took to these trucks. We rolled in with 30 cameras, and it was hard not to notice us. It looks like it's a trend that's not going anywhere. [Food trucks] may be the next incarnation of restaurants.

What's your kitchen like at home?
It's pretty well stocked. I have an amazing Viking range and fridge. And after that, it's pretty simple. A kitchen doesn't have to be super-complicated to crank out good food.

You're a father of three. Is there anything you cook that your children refuse to eat?
There are a lot of things I make that my children won't eat! But I like opening up the menu of life experiences for children at an early age. If you assume that children only like hot dogs, hamburgers and pizza, you're really shutting them off for a long time to what they will or won't eat. If you take command of the house and act like a responsible parent, they'll realize they may go hungry and say, "You know, maybe this food isn't so bad." They'll enjoy [healthy food] sooner rather than later.

Do you have a favorite kitchen gadget?
I have a collection of 150 chefs' knives that I've been collecting my whole career. I proudly display them in a custom-made butcher block over my counter.

Mixed Media



"What I Eat: Around the World in 80 Diets"

By Peter Menzel & Faith D'Aluisio ($40, Ten Speed Press)

What it is: Husband-and-wife team Peter Menzel and Faith D'Aluisio globe-trotted for three years through 30 countries to depict the time-tested saying, "You are what you eat." The duo ate, shot photos and interviewed their way to this coffee table-worthy collection of 80 portraits of folks surrounded by their daily caloric intake. From a Palestinian driver with his savory beef pies to a student sidled up to a KFC lunch in Shanghai, the book's images thoughtfully capture diets (or pig-outs) around the world. **Who it's for:** Intellectual eaters. **Most intriguing diet:** Miyabiyama, a 400-pound Japanese sumo wrestler chomps white rice, never chips or sweets. K.B.

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Today's Question

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Tuesday's Results

WILL THE DEBATE OVER A MOSQUE NEAR GROUND ZERO HELP THE GOP AT THE POLLS?

"Anything that Mr. Obama says at this point will be ridiculed and dissected by the GOP. All the president said was that they have a right, which they do. Whether they should is a different story."

COMMENTER NJ

"No, this is a fringe issue, and most Americans support freedom of religion in this country. The lousy state of the economy and high unemployment rate are what really help the GOP today."

COMMENTER PHILIMUS

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"She had beauty, a quick wit, a quicker temper, a tumultuous love life, a wardrobe to die for and, of course, that unforgettable accent: In her heyday, Zsa Zsa Gabor was, for lack of a better description, something else."

— **LIFE.COM** DESCRIBES THE 93-YEAR-OLD HUNGARIAN-BORN ACTRESS, WHOSE HEALTH HAS TAKEN A TURN FOR THE WORSE AFTER SHE UNDERWENT SURGERY TO REMOVE BLOOD CLOTS.

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— **TOTALPROSPORTS.COM** REACTS TO SEEING THE NEW YORK GIANTS QUARTERBACK WITH A BLOODY GASH ON HIS FACE DURING MONDAY'S GAME AGAINST THE JETS.

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your need to do something for yourself might conflict with your instinctive desire to do something for someone else. Can you make time for both?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You'll be in a better position to read the signs than anyone else in your circle, so be sure to share the information as it comes.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) There is a fine line between that which is imagined and that which is very, very real. The difference becomes clear after nightfall.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) The past and the present may be indistinguishable for a time, as you try to put things together to construct a productive future.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Your experience and personal background will help you move ahead of the competition.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) The simple and straightforward approach can work wonders; it will be more effective than anything too involved.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) The more experience you have, the less likely you will be to make mistakes — unless you are trying to do something that doesn't come naturally.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Your ability to help someone in a time of need will be recognized in some way, but you may not know it when it is occurring.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You've been waiting for something to happen long enough, and it's likely to happen whether you're truly ready or not.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) It is your way of looking at what has been done in the past that makes all the difference, and it has practical applications.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You may be feeling the added weight of another's expectations, but if you really concentrate, you can meet every single one of them.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Are you spending your money wisely? Just because you're making purchases you deem necessary doesn't mean you're not making a mistake.

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Scrabble Grams

PAR SCORE 150-160, BEST SCORE 233

A1	A1	E1	G2	T1	W4	T1	2nd Letter Double	RACK 1
E1	I1	O1	M3	N1	H4	P3		RACK 2
A1	U1	Y4	L1	L1	F4	P3	Triple Word Score	RACK 3
A1	E1	K5	L1	N1	S1	C3		RACK 4

Yesterday's Solution

G2	O1	S1	S1	I1	P3		RACK 1 =	9
E1	N1	D2	E1	M3	I1	C3	RACK 2 =	63
T1	O1	E1	L1	E1	S1	S1	RACK 3 =	57
S1	M3	U1	G2	G2	L1	E1	RACK 4 =	83
PAR SCORE 140-150							TOTAL	212

FOUR RACK TOTAL

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Sudoku

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Yesterday's Solution

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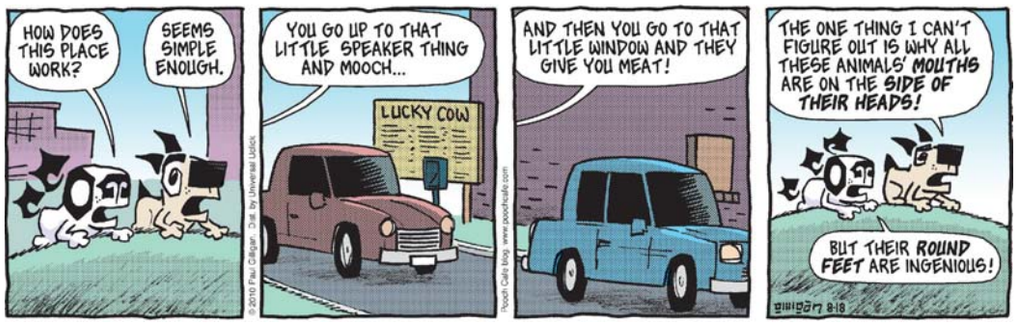

PEARLS BEFORE SWINE | STEPHAN PASTIS

Forecast

78 | 68

Today: Heavy rain and a thunderstorm today. Rain tapering off tonight.

89 | 72

Tomorrow: Warmer tomorrow with a shower in the morning. Clear tomorrow night.

Looking Ahead

FRI	SAT	SUN
92 | 74	89 | 75	89 | 72

Sun and Moon
Sunrise today: 6:24 a.m.
Sunset today: 7:59 p.m.
Moonrise today: 4:07 p.m.
Moonset today: 12:37 a.m.

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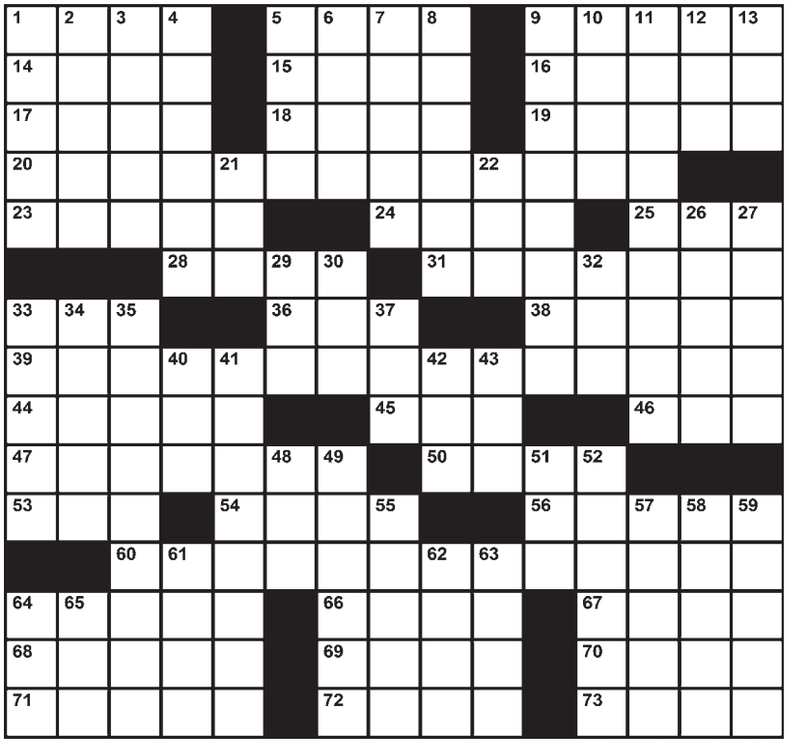

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ACROSS

1 Help to escape
5 And, in addition?
9 In flames
14 Trunk of a tree
15 World-class
16 ___ Parker (busybody)
17 "Terrible" Russian name?
18 After-bath attire
19 Metaphor, for one
20 They can be formal affairs
23 Actor Murphy
24 Library byword
25 Ungentlemanly type
28 Plumlike gin flavoring
31 Bishop's jurisdiction
33 Unmatched, as a sock
36 Is, pluralized
38 Oklahoma city
39 Fast food in a bowl
44 Out of the ordinary
45 Pronoun for every other hurricane
46 Avoid elimination in musical chairs
47 Tooth coverings
50 Calendar span
53 Avail oneself of Vail
54 Recharges one's batteries, so to speak
56 Pie piece
60 Sites of some historic sit-ins
64 Voice a view
66 Seaside soarers
67 Isn't free and clear
68 Proceeds circuitously
69 Graduation or confirmation, e.g.
70 Pro ___ (one way to divide things)
71 Former capital of Nigeria
72 Epic poetry
73 Cafeteria food holder

DOWN

1 Stay awhile
2 Pertaining to cattle
3 Beast with twisted horns
4 Venus Williams' sport
5 Catherine who wed Henry VIII
6 Stunt pilot's maneuver, perhaps
7 Open, as a cage
8 Become really angry
9 Remedy
10 Driver's shout?
11 Kind of triangle
12 Sales agent, briefly
13 It can be winkin' or blinkin', but it doesn't nod
21 Unagi, at a sushi restaurant
22 Mai ___ (tropical drink)
26 Quite, in music
27 Distributed cards
29 Boor
30 Period in a historian's book
32 Mean mongrel
33 Tubular instruments
34 Three sheets to the wind
35 Fine-tuning a car
37 Snaky character?
40 You may wrestle with it
41 Acuity
42 "___ kingdom come ..."
43 Honor student's blemish, perhaps
48 Fond du ___, Wisc.
49 Round shape
51 Grass appendage
52 Conversational comeback
55 Emergency currency
57 ___ flask (inspiration for the Thermos)
58 Hollywood's Garbo
59 Lengthy test answer
61 Put back the way things were
62 Not snowed by
63 Gets some value from
64 Nocturnal bird of prey
65 Casserole veggie

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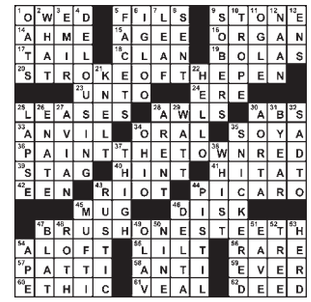

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1587 Virginia Dare becomes the first child of English parents to be born on American soil, on what is now Roanoke Island in North Carolina.

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1963 James Meredith becomes the first black student to graduate from the University of Mississippi.

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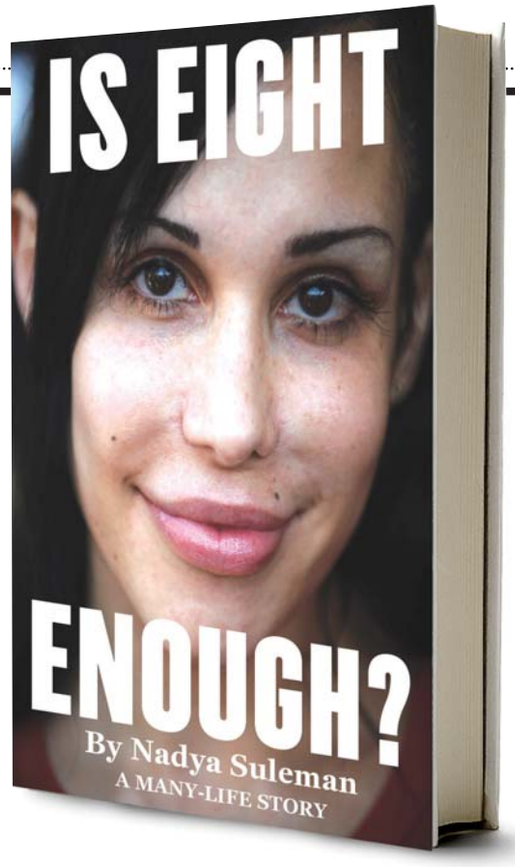
CRIME

No Nude Deed Goes Unpunished

A Dallas spokesman says singer Erykah Badu has paid a $500 fine and will serve six months of probation for stripping during a music video shoot at Dealey Plaza, where then-President John F. Kennedy was shot in 1963. Badu performed a walking striptease March 13 for her "Window Seat" music video, which ends with her falling to the ground as if shot. **(AP)**



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Nadya "Octomom" Suleman has completed her autobiography, writing the book herself after a ghostwriter quit, Radaronline.com reported. She's been shopping the book to publishers, a source said, but has yet to find an offer that fits her needs: "She is holding out because ... she feels like her personal story is worth a lot more than anyone is even interested in paying." She does not reveal the sperm donor she used for her 14 children, however. The title, also, is secret: "She thinks it is clever and will make people want to buy the book." **(EXPRESS)**

EMBELLISHMENT

'That's What I'm Talking About' Should Accompany All Rulings

Ice-T came out on top in a brush with the law Tuesday when prosecutors dropped unlicensed driving charges. "That's what I'm talking about — dismissed!" he called out in a Manhattan courtroom. "Like I said from the gate, I never broke the law," he said. The July 20 arrest was the result of a clerical error. **(AP/EXPRESS)**

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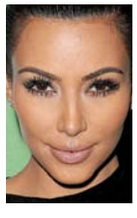
Charlie Sheen should have said, "That's what I'm talking about — guilty!" often.

You've Got Ed?

It's Just Not The Same, Is It?

Documents filed in L.A. County by Edward Furlong's estranged wife recount profane voicemails rivaling Mel Gibson's. A sampling, regarding the wife's boyfriend: "I will [expletive] rip his [expletive] heart and [expletive] feed it to him ... you can [expletive] you see if you like him still when his [expletive] little pretty face is all deformed." **(EXPRESS)**

"I am Armenian, so of course I am obsessed with laser hair removal! ... My entire body is hairless."



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"YOU LEFT THE CAP OFF MY LIPSTICK AGAIN! THIS JUST ISN'T WORKING!!"

COUPLES

Only Liza Minnelli and David Gest Made Us More Uncomfortable

Evan Rachel Wood and Marilyn Manson are no longer engaged, People.com reported. He asked her to marry him in January during a performance in Paris. They began dating in 2006, broke up in 2008, got back together, broke up again and then got engaged, People said. The now-single Manson was seen partying Saturday night in Los Angeles with a band mate and a former Playmate. **(EXPRESS)**

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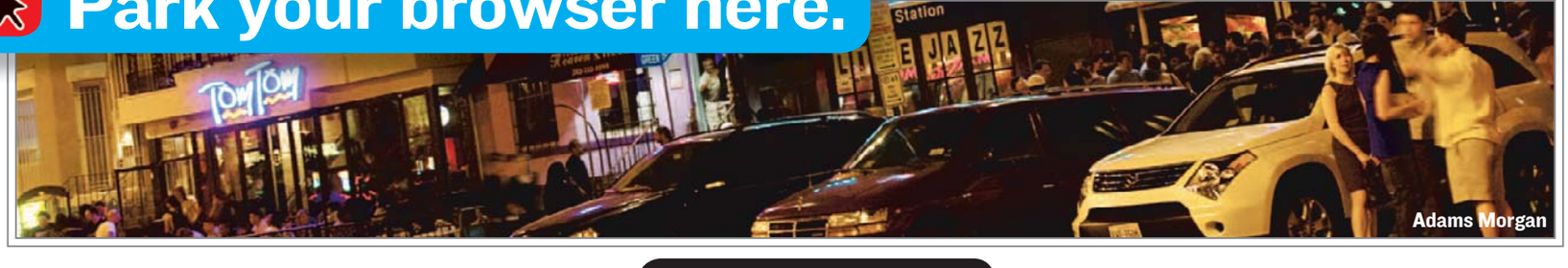

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